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SUBJ: BOLIVIAN PL-480 WHEAT: PORT SITUATION AND SHIPMENT OF
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REF: LA PAZ 7122

1. ACCORDING TO GOB CUSTOMS OFFICIAL, SITUATION OF BOLIVIAN WHEAT IN PERUVIAN PORT OF MATARANI IMPROVING BUT SLOW PROGRESS BEING MADE MOVING WHEAT OUT OF CHILEAN PORT OF ANTOFAGASTA. IN CONTRAST TO NOVEMBER 24 (SEE REFTTEL) WHEN 12,242 M.T. WERE IN MATARANI, ON DECEMBER 11 ONLY 6,009 M.T. REMAINED. IN ANTOFAGASTA 10,435 M.T. STILL REMAINS OF 11,918 M.T. AWAITING SHIPMENT NOVEMBER 24.

2. ARRIVAL OF PORTS OF LAST PA OF 1972 AGREEMENT EXPECTED IN LATE JANUARY MAY WELL RENEW PROBLEM. WE UNDERSTAND THAT TWO LARGE SHIPMENTS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED WITHIN ONE WEEK OF EACH OTHER IN LATE DECEMBER: ONE FOR 16,256 M.T. AND OTHER FOR 19,559 M.T. THIS LAST IS LARGEST SINGLE SHIPMENT OF YEAR. GOB OFFICIALS ARE WATCHING SITUATION CLOSELY BUT JUDGE THEY CAN HANDLE QUANTITY ALBEIT WITH DIFFICULTY.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: LATE DECEMBER LOADINGS (DECEMBER 24 AND DECEMBER 31) RAISE POSSIBILITY THAT CARGO MAY NOT LEAVE U.S. PORT
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UNTIL AFTER NEW YEAR. GOB MININD/COM OFFICIAL HAS ASKED WHETHER THIS WILL CAUSE PROBLEM WITH AGREEMENT WHICH IS FOR CY 1973.

PLEASE ADVISE.
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